

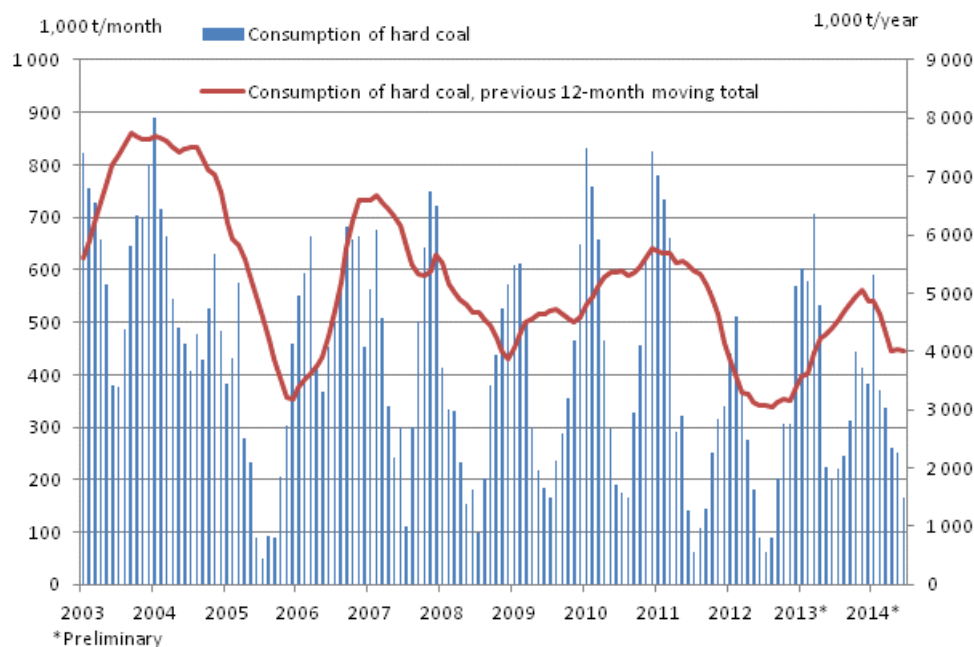
Consumption of hard coal

2014, 2nd quarter

Consumption of hard coal decreased by 30 per cent from January to June

According to Statistics Finland's preliminary data, consumption of hard coal decreased by 30 per cent in this year's January to June period compared with the corresponding period of last year. Its total consumption as a fuel in the generation of electricity and heat amounted to around two million tonnes, corresponding to around 50 petajoules in energy content. In January to June this year, the consumption of hard coal was 24 per cent lower than the average for the 2000s.

Consumption of hard coal, 1,000 tonnes



The data for years 2013 and 2014 are preliminary.

The use of coal diminished in plants of separate production of electricity by around 60 per cent in the first half of the year compared with the corresponding period of the previous year. The warmer than usual early part of the year and the improved water situation in the Nordic countries had an effect on separate production

of condensate power, which, according to the Finnish Energy Industries' data, decreased by 43 per cent. One coal condensate power plant was also removed from the standby mode in the first half of year.

At the end of June 2014, stocks of hard coal totalled some 3.3 million tonnes, or 11 per cent more than one year earlier.

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Appendix table 1. Consumption of hard coal

Period	2013*	2014*	Annual change %
	Quantity (1000 t)	Quantity (1000 t)	
January	604	592	-2
February	579	372	-36
March	706	338	-52
April	533	262	-51
May	224	250	12
June	202	167	-17
July	222	.	.
August	244	.	.
September	314	.	.
October	445	.	.
November	413	.	.
December	383	.	.
YEAR TOTAL	4,867	.	.
Q1	1,889	1,302	-31
Q2	958	679	-29
Q3	779	.	.
Q4	1,241	.	.
January-March cum.	1,889	1,302	-31
January-June cum.	2,847	1,982	-30
January-September cum.	3,627	.	.
January-December cum.	4,867	.	.

1) *preliminary

Appendix table 2: Hard Coal Stocks, month-end

Period	2014*	Annual change %
	Quantity (1000 t)	
January	3,144	-15
February	2,959	-10
March	2,804	-1
April	3,051	17
May	3,096	11
June	3,253	11
July	.	.
August	.	.
September	.	.
October	.	.
November	.	.
December	.	.

1) *preliminary

Revisions in these statistics

The data of the statistics have become revised according to the table below. For more information about data revisions, see Section 3 of the quality description (only in Finnish).

Revisions to data on annual changes in consumption of hard coal¹⁾

Consumption of hard coal and quarter		Annual change (%)		Revision (%-point)
		1st release (%)	Latest release 28.8.2014 (%)	
Consumption of hard coal	I-IV/2013	34	43	9
	I/2013	31	44	12
	II/2013	51	76	25
	III/2013	105	121	16
	IV/2013	4	5	1
	I/2014	-29	-31	-2
	II/2014	.	-29	.

1) The revisions describe the difference between the annual change percentages of the latest and first releases in percentages. The first release refers to the time when preliminary data for the statistical reference quarter in question were released for the first time.

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